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PREPARATIONS FOR THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN:
ACTION FOR EQUALITY, DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

Draft resolution submitted by the Chairperson

Provisional agenda and proposed organization of work
of the Fourth World Conference on Women

The Commission on the Status of Women,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 45/129 of 14 December 1990 and 46/98 of 16 December 1991, in which the General Assembly endorsed Economic and Social Council resolution 1990/12 of 24 May 1990 in which the Council recommended that a world conference on women be held in 1995 and requested that the Commission on the Status of Women act as the preparatory body for the conference,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 47/95 of 16 December 1992, in which the General Assembly endorsed Economic and Social Council decision 1992/272 of 30 July 1992, in which the Council expressed its appreciation to the Government of China for its offer to act as host for the Conference, to be held in Beijing from 4 to 15 September 1995, as well as Assembly resolutions 48/108 of 20 December 1993 and 49/161 of 23 December 1994,

1. Notes that, in accordance with rule 47 of its rules of procedure, the Conference may establish one or more main committees;

2. Recommends that the oral statements made during the Conference should not exceed seven minutes, it being understood that full-length statements may be circulated in writing;

3. Recommends that the Conference adopt the provisional agenda and organization of work annexed to the present resolution.

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Annex I

PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN

1. Opening of the Conference.

2. Election of the President.

3. Adoption of the rules of procedure.

4. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.

5. Election of officers other than the President.

6. Organization of work, including establishment of the Main Committees.*

7. Credentials of representatives to the Conference:

   (a) Appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee;

   (b) Report of the Credentials Committee.

8. General exchange of views on:

   (a) Second review and appraisal of the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women to the year 2000;

   (b) Main conclusions and recommendations of regional preparatory conferences;

9. Platform for Action.

10. Meeting of heads of State or Government.

11. Adoption of the Platform for Action of the Fourth World Conference on Women.

12. Adoption of the report of the Conference.

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* The Chairmen of the Main Committees would be elected in plenary meeting; officers of the Main Committee other than the Chairmen would be elected by the Main Committee.

Annex II

PROPOSED ORGANIZATION OF WORK FOR THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN, 4-15 SEPTEMBER 1995

For purposes of the organization of work contained in the appendix below, the following guidelines will apply:

(a) Statements to be presented through 4-13 September will be limited to seven minutes. Longer statements may be circulated in writing. Each Government may present two statements during the Summit;

(b) During the period 4-13 September, a general exchange of views will be held at which personal representatives of heads of State or Government or other appropriate high-level representatives specifically designated by Governments may make statements. Executive heads of agencies of the United Nations system, as well as representatives of accredited non-governmental organizations and intergovernmental organizations, may also present statements in accordance with the rules of procedure of the Conference;

(c) On 15 July 1995, the Secretariat will open a list of speakers for the general exchange of views (4-13 September);

(d) Normal meeting hours for the Conference will be from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Appendix

PROPOSED ORGANIZATION OF WORK

The following programme of work is proposed for the Fourth World Conference on Women:

(a) On Saturday and Sunday, 2 and 3 September, informal pre-Conference consultations will be held to consider a number of procedural and organizational matters;

(b) The general debate will take place in plenary meeting from 4 to 13 September;

(c) In accordance with rule 47 of its rules of procedure, the Conference will establish two Main Committees to consider the draft Platform for Action, also from 4 to 13 September, as follows:

Committee I (chapters III and IV);

Committee II (chapters I, II, V and VI);

(d) Consideration of the reports of the Main Committees and the adoption of the Platform for Action will take place on Thursday and Friday, 14 and 15 September.